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LIQUID WASTE PUMPER REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DISPOSAL OF SANITARY WASTE

A health permit is required of any person or entity servicing, pumping or transporting sanitary wastes from septic tanks, seepage pits, cesspools, portable toilets, sewage holding tanks, grease interceptors, and other repositories of such waste, to ensure that environmental public health hazards, nuisances and pollution do not occur as a result of improper handling or disposal.

Septage pumpers are required per §33.0859 (d) of San Bernardino County Code to provide each customer for whom the permittee has provided pumper services for sanitary waste removal, with a receipt/and or bill for services performed. This receipt/bill shall include the following information:

- 1. Number of compartments pumped.
- 2. Estimated gallonage or volume of sanitary wastes removed.
- 3. Intended location to which the sanitary wastes are to be discharged.
- 4. Estimated disposal charges to be incurred upon disposal of said sanitary wastes.

Per §33.0860 of San Bernardino County Code, no sanitary wastes, including wash or rinse water used to clean the interior of the liquid waste hauler's vehicle tank or any portable toilet, shall be disposed of at any location which is not approved by San Bernardino County Department of Environmental Health Services (DEHS) and which does not meet either or both, as applicable, of the following conditions:

- A. The current unrevoked waste discharge requirements for the treatment and/or disposal of liquid wastes from the appropriate California Regional Water Quality Control Board. (Refers to municipal waste water treatment plants).
- B. A current, unrevoked solid waste disposal site permit, sanctioning the disposal of septic or other liquid wastes from the California Integrated Waste Management Board. (Applies to permitted landfills with septage receiving ponds).

No sanitary waste pumped by a pumper truck is allowed to be stored in a sewage holding tank prior to final disposal at an approved location, without prior approval from the County of San Bernardino Department of Public Health Division of Environmental Health Services (DEHS). The use of a sewage holding tank requires approval from the local planning department as well as the application for a sewage holding tank permit from DEHS.

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